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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicant calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-181376, which was published on July 21, 1995, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-054934, which was published on February 24, 1998, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 10-142495, which was published on May 29, 1998, together with an English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-039553, which was published on February 8, 2000, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,181,483 to TAKATSUKI, which issued on January 30, 2001;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-131606, which was published on May 12, 2000, together with an English language translation of the same; and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0218799 to SENSUI et al., which was published on November 27, 2003.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patent and U.S. patent application publication are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the instant application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p), to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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